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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below), of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which

_____ is attached hereto.
XX was filed on **January 17, 2001** as Application
Serial No. «**Serial_no**»
_____ was filed as PCT International Application
No. _____ on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT application(s) (not designating U.S.) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT application(s) (not designating U.S.) filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Priority Claimed</u> |
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| <u>Application Serial No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Status</u> |
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I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file and prosecute national, international, and regional applications which claim priority from this application:

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